

## OFFICIAL WAR GAZETTE.

## Sherman's Expedition.

Capture of Fort McAllister—Savannah Completely Isolated—Splendid Condition of the Army—Very Agreeable March—Abundance of Supplies—Two Hundred Miles of Railroad Destroyed—Not a Wagon Lost on the March—Mules, Negroes, Horses, Etc., Brought in Communication Open with the Fleet—Savannah Regarded as Already Gone.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18, 9 P.M., 1864.—Major-General Dix, New York.—An official despatch from General Sherman was received to-day, dated near midnight, December 13, on the gunboat "Dandilion," Ossabaw Sound, Georgia. It was written before General Foster had reached him. He reports, besides some minor details of future operations which are omitted, the following interesting particulars of his operations:

On Board "Dandilion," Ossabaw Sound, 11:30 P.M., December 13, 1864.—To-day, at 3 P.M., General Hardee's Division of the Fifteenth Corps carried Fort McAllister by assault, capturing its entire garrison and stores. This opened to us the Ossabaw Sound, and I pulled down to this gunboat to communicate with the fleet. Before opening communication we had completely destroyed all the railroads leading into Savannah, and invested the city. The left is on the Savannah river, three miles above the city, and the right is on the Ogeechee, at King's Bridge.

The army is in splendid order, equal to anything. The weather has been fine and supplies abundant. Our march was most agreeable, and we were not at all molested by guerrillas. We reached Savannah three days ago, but owing to Fort McAllister we could not communicate, but now we have McAllister, and go ahead.

We have already captured two boats in the Savannah river, and have prevented their gunboats from coming down. I estimate the population of Savannah at twenty-five thousand, and the garrison at fifteen thousand. General Hardee commands.

We have not lost a wagon on the trip, but have gathered a large supply of mules, negroes, horses, etc., and our teams are in far better condition than when we started.

My first duty will be to clear the army of all surplus negroes, mules, and horses.

We have utterly destroyed over two hundred miles of railroad, and consumed stores and provisions that were essential to Lee's and Hood's armies.

The quick work made of Fort McAllister, and the opening of communication with our fleet, and consequent independence of supplies, dissipates all their boasted threats to head us off, and starve the army. I regard Savannah as already gained.

Yours, truly, W. T. SHERMAN, Major-General.

HON. EDWIN M. STANTON, Secretary of War.

## LETTER FROM BALTIMORE.

*Special Correspondence of The Evening Telegraph.*

BALTIMORE, December 18.

I was over in Washington yesterday, and had quite a pleasant interview with President Lincoln. Whilst in that metropolis of mud and political anxieties, a salute of two hundred guns was fired in honor of the glorious victories of General Thomas. It seemed as though a terrible battle was raging. Reports of cannon were in quick succession for half an hour, one replying to the other, and each echoing to the heavens. Every eye seemed bright, and all hearts were glad at the welcome thundering which told of triumph to the Union cause. Flags were flying from the public buildings and elsewhere in honor of the glorious events. It was decidedly cheering.

Returning home at night I found a very important private despatch, coming from a source undoubtedly bearing date of December 17, which gives me to understand that great success has been achieved within a few days past in General Foster's department. I cannot give particulars, but what I assert can be fully relied on.

I saw recently a newly invented bayonet by Capt. T. W. Alexander, of the Baltimore Battery of the Artillery. It is so constructed as to possess especially much. It is the shape of a bayonet and be substituted advantageously for that purpose, whilst at the same time it serves all the purposes of a bayonet. There is a sort of knife on the reverse side, well calculated for cutting in emergencies.

This instrument is only about three inches heavier than the triangular or common weapon, and can be made easily from the ordinary bayonet at small expense. By order of General Wallace it recently underwent inspection by a board of military officers, of which General Morris was president. They pronounced favorably thereon, and commanded it to be sent to the attention of Gen. Alexander, Chairman of the Committee on Military Affairs. Captain Alexander, its inventor, a zealous young officer of the Revenue and decided genius. It is hoped, if this weapon proves practically meritorious, Congress will reward his labors.

The Baltimore Sun emerges from the penny system to-morrow, obedient to the times, and comes out as a two-cent paper. No reader of this old journal will refuse examining it, as it has grown into an honor-able institution, and cannot be done with. Such is the case with all good news.

A couple of hundred guns will be fired to-morrow in celebration of General Wallace, in honor of whose victory, a grand triumph over the rebels.

There are no amanuenses on all Sanitary Commission with immense quantities, one—for our

Army, one—for the Navy, and one for the Home Guard.

A new one is now in the hands of military officers, General Mac-Callum, President, and in all probability will be the one for the Delaware Cavalry, and the like. The old Com-  
mittee were reorganized, and several members thereof were reappointed to their regiments.

Allow me to congratulate you, Mr. Editor, upon the change of form and great improvement, in all respects, in your EVENING TELEGRAPH. It is pronounced by old newspaper men in this city to be the very best newspaper journal now published in the country. Having had a great force of what we say—One is in the hit. Of course, the STEAM-HAMMER—JAMES NASH.

James Nasmyth, the Thor of the p—

was brought up under the iron hand of the Mandlsey, and perhaps was more short than associated with him than any other man with

for he was the assistant appointed a partner with charge of the great mechanist's own workshop, and the pupil had done little thing, yet

Nasmyth, unlike the sons of the mechanists, was by no means a seventeen degree

## CITY INTELLIGENCE.

INHUMAN TREATMENT OF A WIFE.—A shoemaker, named Charles Emmon, was arraigned before Alderman Welding on Saturday, upon the charge of ill-treating his wife. The facts and circumstances of this case develop a picture of horror. The parties live on Sixth street, near Spence. It is alleged that the husband has been in the habit of whipping or beating his wife. To see the language of some of the neighbors, they say like "dog and cat," the woman of course on the defensive. The whole neighborhood has frequently been annoyed because of the quarrels. It seems that the wife is made to work on the uppers of boots and shoes so steadily, and for a length of time, as to exhaust nature. She did when happen to those over her work as it lay in the light, or early in the morning, a crack and glide of her head would startle and awaken again in a world of misery. It seems she was exposed to the elements, and was sent to the Cottontree House of Charles Hickey & Co. for a boat at the hands of her husband.

On Thursday night he was a general engaged, in which she sit upon self-defense. The husband received a blow alongside of the head, for which he turned his wife on a stool and then says her imprisoned until Saturday morning. The neighbors heard her say more for the previous evenings, were surprised that something unusual had happened, perhaps she had been killed. An application was made to the legal authorities, and Reserve Officer Rawlings, to accompany with some of the neighbors, entered the house, when had been taken up, for some time. They found her in a room, with a number of articles of clothing laid anything to eat or drink for more than forty-eight hours. Her condition excited the liveliest interest. Every attention was paid to her that the necessities of the case required, and in the afternoon her husband was arrested. He was committed in default of \$100 bail to answer at court.

LANDIS' SATURDAY EVENING LECTURE.—Landis' lecture, on Saturday evening, was like eternity—it had neither beginning nor end. At half-past 7 o'clock we saw three boys, one or two ladies, and two or three gentlemen, on the steps of Concert Hall. Landis was there, too! Landis had just stepped up-stairs to tell the junior to put on the lights. The eleven people who constituted the select company interested in Landis' exposition of the science of Quicksilver who had assembled at Concert Hall to hear that exposition, had precipitately left. Why Landis didn't deliver his lecture remained unexplained. Why not deliver it? He had eleven people to hear him. He had eleven distinct proofs that his complimentary tickets were not wasted.

His tickets were printed, his placards were out, Concert Hall engaged (and paid for, it is to be presumed), people bearing complimentary tickets came pouring in as thick as angels' visits—then why not deliver the lecture? Crowds were rushing to the theaters, the circus; crowds were racing to the west in the cold? Can it be because that the machine which combines more excellent features than any other is the "Grover & Baker?" It is the only sewing machine ever invented that excels embroidery, an advantage which it entitles it to the preference with all intelligent purchasers.

A NEAT AND CONVENIENT POCKET BOOK.—Messrs. Mason & Hedges, No. 41 N. Sixth street, are the manufacturers of a patent pocketbook, that has become particularly popular. They are made of one piece of leather, by folding which, obviates the necessity for either stitching or pasting. Call and examine them.

A CHRISTIAN PRESENT WORTH GIVING.—It has become the settled conviction of thoughtful people that every family in the land should be supplied with a first-class sewing machine, and it is equally their conviction that the machine which combines more excellent features than any other is the "Grover & Baker." It is the only sewing machine ever invented that excels embroidery, an advantage which it entitles it to the preference with all intelligent purchasers.

THE HOLIDAY PRESENT most acceptable to a lady is a Grover & Baker Sewing Machine. This machine took all the first premiums at the fairs in the United States this year.

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